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## N.C. Governor Hunt to speak at commencement

By Nancy Davis

Plans for the 1979 commencement activities have been finalized for Saturday, May 12. North Carolina Governor James B. Hunt will be the commencement speaker, which will be held at 10 a.m. at the Charlotte Coliseum. This will be Hunt's first commencement speech at UNCC.

More than 1,500 degrees will be conferred, including bachelors and masters. After the processional march into the coliseum, graduates and guests will hear the commencement speech from Hunt. After Hunt has spoken, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Philip Hildreth will introduce the college deans individually. Each dean will ask graduates from that college to rise, by degree within the college for the conferral of degrees by Chancellor E.K. Fretwell.

Diploma presentations will take

place on campus during the afternoon of May 12 during individual college ceremonies. The presentation schedule is:

Architecture, Rowe Theatre, 3:30 p.m.

Business, McKnight Auditorium, 3:45 p.m.

Engineering, Rowe Recital Hall, 3:30 p.m.

Human Development and Learning, Rowe Recital Hall, 2:30 p.m.

Humanities, Gym (use extreme right door), 3:45 p.m.

Nursing, McKnight Auditorium, 2:30 p.m.

Science and Mathematics, Rowe Theatre, 2:30 p.m.

Social and Behavioral Sciences, Gym (use main lobby doors), 2:30 p.m.

The first honorary degree from UNCC will be awarded to Dr. Bonnie E. Cone and Dr. D.W. Colvard during commencement. Cone has been in-

cluded with the institution since 1946 when it began as the Charlotte center of the University of North Carolina. Her title was changed from director to president after it became Charlotte College in 1949. She served as president until 1965, when it became part of the University of North Carolina. She was acting chancellor until 1966 and then remained as vice chancellor for student affairs until her retirement.

Former UNCC Chancellor Colvard came to the university from Mississippi State University in 1966. During his term as chancellor, Colvard developed the university in enrollment, expansion and academics. Colvard, who retired in January, 1979, is now serving as chairman of the Board of Trustees for the School of the Math and Sciences, presently being established in Durham, N.C.

Another ceremony during the day

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will be the dedication of the Colvard Building. This building, located in the center of campus, will be occupied by the colleges of human development and learning, nursing and social and behavioral sciences. The ceremony will take place at 1:45 p.m.

Graduates have received through the mail, instructions for commencement day. If there are any questions, students are asked to contact Dan L. Morrill, faculty member and marshal, at 597-2184.

## Student Superior Court lifts spring election injunction

By Bill Peschel

After an hour's delay in gathering a quorum, the Student Superior Court met and ruled races for the three class presidents must be held over again due to numerous election violations. This ruling affects the candidates for sophomore, junior and senior class presidents.

The court also ruled tallies for the other races must be recounted. That recount, held after the court adjourned at 10:35 p.m., saw William Faquin lose his seat on the Student Court to Bill Peschel. Peschel's vote tally was reduced by 100 votes during election

night. Newly elected justice Mike Dunn's tally went down 18 votes and University Program Board's vice chairperson Jo Dawkins gained 50 votes. Dunn and Dawkins still won their elections.

This case, which was postponed two weeks after only one justice showed for the first hearing, almost did not get off the ground. Chief Justice Reginald Irby arrived on time at 8 p.m., but no other justices did. They came in over the hour until the fourth member joined them after his class.

In the meantime, spectators

wandered in the halls and discussed the case and gossiped. Some were jokingly calling for volunteers to fill the vacant seats while Attorney General Billie Stickell wondered if the court would meet at all. "My system can't take this anymore," she said. She said she had problems getting witnesses to appear and to wait for the court to form. Some left during the hour's wait.

When it appeared the court wouldn't form, Stickell and Dean of Students Chuck Lynch were talking with those involved in the case. He asked Steven Klocke, Jamie Willeford and David Perry if they would agree to have new elections held. All agreed to the proposal.

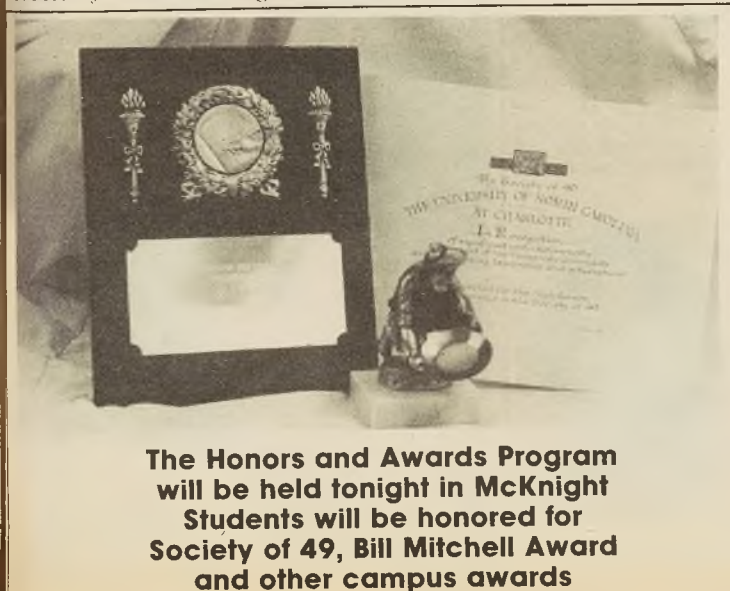
At 8:55 p.m., Irby called out to much laughter, the Student Superior Court is finally in session. After that, the show belonged to Stickell, who called witness after witness proving the Elections and Publicity Staff failed to check class status.

Several students testified IDs were not checked for class status, and one student, Buffy Wright, said in a written statement how she was harassed into voting by the chairperson of elections, Tom Chumley. Wright, who wanted to vote for the junior class president, alleged Chumley told her to vote for the senior class to unlock a machine. The machine was stuck when a previous voter left the machine closed without casting a ballot. This locked the machine until a vote could be cast. She wrote, "When I found out I had to vote otherwise I was so disgusted I said I didn't want to vote at all. At this point, Chumley

once again began harassing me and telling me over and over I had to vote (laughter from the gallery erupted at this point). Certainly, I will never come and vote again. I flipped a switch just to get out of the humiliating situation." Sammy Hamrick testified through a statement he phoned in his vote to Chumley while he was out of town. Chuck Simons said he lied in telling an elections worker in what class he was to vote. Stickell produced evidence that graduating seniors and graduate students could vote for the senior class president.

All through the hearing, except for scattered questions, neither Chumley or the co-chairperson, Cathy Allred, put up a defense. No witnesses were called by them, although in their closing statements they defended the way they ran the elections.

Allred said the elections were run, "in what we thought was the best procedure. We were under pressure from candidates . . . plus we were under pressure from the students who were in a hurry to vote. We ran the elections the way we thought was best and most convenient for everybody. We felt we were offering a service to the students and the candidates . . . maybe we did operate on the honor system and maybe it wasn't the 100 percent best way but all these things that were brought up in court are the exception and not the rule. All we tried to do was to treat college students like college students. And as we have seen here in court, not everyone can act like a college student."



**The Honors and Awards Program will be held tonight in McKnight Students will be honored for Society of 49, Bill Mitchell Award and other campus awards**